

Delaware Human Trafficking Coordinating Council

Public Awareness Committee Meeting Minutes - approved

December 13, 2016

In attendance: Mary McDonough, Christine Camoirano, Patty D'Angelo, Mary Darby, Laurie Guinard, Sunny Rayarapu, Sally Millbury- Steen, and Fay Whittle

By conference call: Dennis Jones, Tina Shockley, Lori Sitler

Note: If I have missed anyone that attended or who was on the conference call, please advise.

Next Meeting in December 27th from 2pm – 4pm

Location: 500 N. King Street

Court House, 11th floor conference room.

Conference call information:

Call: 1-877-366-0711

Participant's code: 85006785#

Leader's code: 82059846#

Agenda Topics discussed:

1. Approval of minutes.
2. Received HT public awareness sticker. Flyers and heavier stock stickers will be provided at our next meeting, 12/27/16.
3. Updates from all subcommittees.
4. Preliminary **draft** of January events.
5. Mary Darby has drafted a press advisory/press release, a list of proclamation attendees, potential speakers and is working on a media list. Once the draft is ready it will be sent out for review. Dates are still being finalized.
1. Faye Whittle has met with Child Inc, Delaware Youth groups, Middletown police, and Newark police. A HT public awareness flyer has been or will be provided to these organizations.
2. Please send to Patty any events you have scheduled in January 2017, this way I can document them and get them added to the January event document.
3. Human Trafficking cheat sheet and Myths and Misconceptions document – Thanks Lori.

Key topic:**PSA update – Nancy McGee**

The amazing news today was when I went to tape the PSA's for the radio stations down state. I was asked to do a 10 minute interview by the person who does the Delmarva talk radio programs on Sunday AM...and just like that I got to talk about HT, the blitz coming in January, the Awareness month, the conference that was overwhelmingly received and needed and turned people away for lack of space, the fact that trafficking IS happening in DE and what to look for, provided the phone number to report what you see or suspect, encouraged people to educate themselves on this topic and join the movement to stop HT - by contacting your elected officials, and by reporting what you see. (I relied heavily on the cheat sheets from the conference - luckily I had them with me!). It will air this Sunday most likely. And that is in addition to the interview we will be doing with Dan Gafney in January!!

When I was done that, the manager of the stations approached me about them making HT and the blitz a WEEK LONG NEWS STORY for January! UNBELIEVABLE!!! I have laughed and giggled all afternoon!! Timing and the Grace of God!!!

Sharing the good news - people WANT this info - and we are setting them on fire - like Yolanda said - one person at a time!!

Radio stations identified were 97.7, 101.3, and 105.9.

Updates from 6 Subcommittees

1. DelDOT- Transportation – Silvana Croope and Stephanie Johnson (co-chairs)

Stephanie Johnson had a HT high level overview she presented to a working group on Dec. 13th. Update on this presentation will be provided. Patty reached out to DELDOT to see if they needed HT public awareness materials and did they have a distribution plan to include locations, events, and dates for January 2017.

2. Medical – Mary Darby, and Patty D'Angelo (co-chairs)

We were able to get a listing of forensic nurses for Delaware to include, Christiana, Bay Health, Nanticoke, AI DuPont and Beebe. A contact was made to Anita Symonds, with a follow up introductory email sent to the rest of the forensic nurses. We are invited to a Jan 3rd meeting (more information to follow) in Dover where we will supply HT public awareness materials for these nurses to distribute to their locations. St Francis will receive their materials separately as they do not have a forensic nurse. Cheri Will, forensic nurse from Beebe asked to be added to the committee. She did mention we look at the Stop Slavery Tennessee website, it is added to our Phase 2 list.

3. Education – Johanna Bishop, Eleanor Kiesel (co-chairs), Murphy Marbury, Tina Shockley, Lori Sitler, and Angela Steele- Tilton.

Two events are scheduled with Wilm U. for January 19th and January 23rd and one with DSU January 17th. We need to know if the Education team has more events scheduled and if they need HT public awareness materials for their distribution plan. We know this committee has student volunteers. Cab Calloway has an event January 20th.

4. Hotels – Laurie Guinard and Mary Darby (co-chairing), Christine Camoirano, Wendy Gallagher and Dorothy Medeiros.

The Hotel subcommittee was asking for some direction, it was advised for them to start with the Marriot Chain. Laurie and or Mary will contact Scott Chapman to see if he has contacts with Marriot which includes the Fairfield Inn, and Courtyard by Marriot. This will be a great start as Marriot is on board with HT public awareness and hotels even though they should be are not statute mandated.

5. Adult entertainment – Nancy McGee (Chair) and Laurie Guinard and Peggy Tsagonas

(Law Enforcement will be involved with this committee) More information will follow from this subcommittee at our next meeting. Nancy McGee has been working on PSA's.

6. Retail outreach and high school volunteers - Syreeta Scott, Sunny Rayarapu, Dennis Jones and Leslie Brower.

Syreeta was able to get in contact with Walmart. She introduced herself as a Wilm U. student and HT public awareness committee member. She explained that the 95 corridor and their location, at the 13/40 split, is a prime area that can be affected by HT. Walmart at this time were not interested in HT public awareness at this time and discontinued the conversation. She did not have any luck with replies from the malls either. The Holiday season is going to minimize their 'phone' time. This committee will regroup and keep trying to contact the malls identified. Sunny has high school student volunteers available to assist them once the malls and out Tanger outlet are on board. Patty will be delivering 50 HT public awareness stickers to Dennis tomorrow, December 15th. **We do need a volunteer to contact BBB or Chamber of Commerce from this group.** More will follow from this subcommittee at our next meeting.

Safety is very important for all of our volunteers. Please utilize the HT cheat sheet and the myths and misconception document for education for any volunteers. They are very helpful for Q&A.

Phase 2

1. HT Public Awareness for Medical facilities other that hospitals, unless this can be completed in January 2017. List of walk in centers is needed.
2. A broader focus on HT Public Awareness for hotels, starting with a few hotels for Phase 1
3. Human Trafficking Public Awareness materials printed in other languages.
4. Web site for HT Public Awareness
5. Public Awareness for Labor Trafficking and Human Trafficking of Children. More children than we think are being trafficked between the hours of 3pm and 6pm.
6. Updated HT Public Awareness photos on materials.
7. Addition of a Bereavement subcommittee

Thanks to all the hard work!

Patty